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Moved from hotels

DSS puts homeless in Valley

By Pat Christensen

San Francisco Department of Social Service in cooperation with the Mayor's Homeless Program are in the process of placing homeless families, women and children, in vacant apartments in Geneva Towers.

Dorothy Enisman, Coordinator of DSS' Homeless Program, reports that the people they are placing currently live in the City Center Hotel in the Tenderloin. The hotel will be closed in the near future.

"Four families have already been placed in Geneva Towers, and they are very excited about being there," reported Enisman. "These are women and children, primarily, who are low income and anxious to have permanent housing of their own. Application takes quite a bit of time because the applicants for housing must be checked cut for credit references and suitability."

Geneva Towers has about 75 U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development subsidized apartments. "The City is not subsidizing the rents for these people," says Enisman. "DSS and Department of Public Health will be providing social services and nursing services two days per week."

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Gridlock at the 'Stick

Traffic task force report

Transportation conditions in and around Candlestick Park have been a problem since the park was built. Now the Candlestick Park Transportation Task Force, formed at the request of the Board of Supervisors, has prepared a report of their findings.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

A typical sold out event at Candlestick Park attracts approximately 58,000 fans. About 82% of these fans arrive by car, resulting in a parking demand for 17,780 vehicles. About 18% of the fans use transit.

As anyone who has ever attended a game at Candlestick will attest, traffic congestion is very heavy after an event, particularly southbound traffic.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

In an effort to encourage the use of public transit, the task force recommends preferential treatment for Candlestick Park buses on Ingerson Avenue so that bus passengers can avoid postgame traffic delays. The task force suggests promotion of transit services in event publications, on the stadium scoreboard and in the media.

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Restless spring on San Bruno Mtn.

By Louise Kohut

Another spring embraces our gentle "wild" neighbor to the south, San Bruno Mountain. Now is a wondrous season to see and feel the mountain's open space, teeming with life and color, from the native wildflowers, plants, and butterflies, most notably the endangered Mission Blue and San Bruno elfin, to the garter snakes, jackrabbits, and red foxes.

This unique, primarily treeless, wild place of some 3600 acres offers the last remnant of truly Franciscan environment. Rising warm valley air combines with the cold, wet Pacific air to create and maintain a wilderness home to approximately 450 native plants and grasses.

Additionally, San Bruno Mountain is the site of some of the last remaining Awashtes Indian middens (shell mounds) in the Bay Area.

But our peaceful neighbor continues its fight against private land developers wanting to build monolithic houses and buildings on its lower slopes. The undying assistance from local

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Editorial

The following letter was written to the San Francisco Planning Commission in response to the publication of a Hazardous Waste Management Plan and Environmental Impact Report which the City prepared without public input. Also a public meeting was called for April 27 seeking approval for this plan. Community groups were not informed of the meeting. This letter clearly expresses the outrage felt by this editor.

Mr. Doug Engmann:
President
Planning Commission
City and County of San Francisco
450 McAllister, 6th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Case 87.813E - Hazardous Waste Management Plan EIR

We are absolutely appalled and incensed that the City is circulating this Hazardous Waste Management EIR and they have not distributed it to any of the community groups or leaders of the Southeast section.

We are particularly angry about this because it is our understanding that the document focuses on the Southeast section as the mostly likely area for placing such a facility. Furthermore, we understand the document indicates that a facility is presently being considered for part of the Sanitary Fill site.

It is incomprehensible to us how the City could have such blantant disregard and lack of interest in the concerns and input of the residents of the Southeast section. We have made known our desire to be kept abreast of issues and projects which affect our community. We cannot understand why we were not advised about the EIR.

How can you have a public hearing about a document when the public mostly likely affected was not advised of the document or the hearings? Isn't this a violation of the laws governing public review?

We recognize the plan affects all of San Francisco and not just the Southeast section; however, our community is exposed to the greatest impacts.

At a very minimum, we feel the public review period should be extended another 30 days and the neighborhood organizations and community leaders in the Southeast section sent a copy of the document. This would at least give them a chance to review the document and make comment.

Additionally, we feel another public hearing should be scheduled and the community notified so they can come before the Commission and make known their concerns.

We await your response to our request.

Shirley Jones
Chairperson
San Francisco Executive Park Advisory Committee

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Maher irked by user fees

Dear Editor:

I am strongly opposed to the city's growing trend of imposing user fees for public areas. It is a practice that discriminates against those with income considerations - which is pretty much everyone, these days.

A major advantage to living in San Francisco, and one we surely pay for tax-wise, is access to its parks and libraries and museums. Are we destined to create a City of user fees?

This issue affects the quality of life for everyone living in or visiting our City. I am outraged and I think your readers will be too.

Sincerely,
Bill Maher,
Board of Supervisors

Commentary

Crack epidemic is everyone's problem

By Mayor Art Agnos

Mayor Art Agnos

The crack cocaine epidemic that is infecting American cities is not a police problem or a housing project problem. It is everybody's problem. And everybody is going to have to help if we hope to solve it.

In San Francisco we have a better chance than most places, in part because our Police Department and its Gang Event Response Team can identify 80 percent of our 1,000 gang members by name, and in part because community involvement and participation is a strong part of our tradition.

A silver lining in the dark cloud of the tragic drive-by shooting that killed two and injured 11 others the second week of April is that it has mobilized the Hunters Point and Sunnydale communities to rise up and demand an end to gang violence.

All of us are going to have to do the same. Adolescents need to feel they belong. If the community does not offer that sense of belonging, gangs will.

One of the first things I did when I became Mayor last year was to seek out experts, literally from throughout the country, who might have information on how to stop crack use.

Nobody had any answers, so I convened a major symposium to try and create some. The Mayor's Drug Task Force that grew out of that symposium completed its master plan in January. Work on implementation of the master plan in the target areas recommended by the task force began immediately.

We are putting the building blocks of police enforcement, community organizing, child care, recreation programs, health service and drug treatment facilities in place as fast as we can find grants and local resources to do it.

I am not naive enough to believe every young crack dealer in going to turn in his Uzi for a basketball, but in places such as Oceanview Playground where we have provided alternatives, we have made a noticeable difference.

Ironically, in the months preceding the April shootings crime rates in the southeastern section of the City were showing a steady decline.

Drug gangs do not have the foothold in San Francisco that they have in Los Angeles, Oakland and East Coast cities, and there is no indication that outside gangs have have tried to move in.

The vast majority of the approximately 1,000 gang members in the City are well known to the police.

The police, acting on tips and their own intelligence, have successfully intervened to prevent potentially violent gang confrontations on several occasions. Last month, for example, they picked up alleged gang member at Randolph Street projects just hours before a rival gang arrived looking for trouble.

But knowing who the

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From our readers

It is the policy of the GRAPEVINE not to publish anonymous letters. Letters must include name, address and phone. If a writer does not want to be identified in the paper, we will honor that wish by stating "Name Withheld."

Mountain

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conservationalists and citizens groups joins in the fight to preserve the mountain and to keep the bulldozers away.

Calling 1989 a "crisis year" for San Bruno Mountain's life and history, Bay Area Mountain Watch (BAMW), an environmental watchdog group, leads hikes, meets the public, and attends hearing to save the mountain.

The battle for the mountain has been an issue of San Mateo County politics since the 1960's. Then, in 1973 the U.S. Congress enacted the Endangered Species Act which would greatly limit development on the mountain, home to approximately 20 endangered plants and animals. But through the power efforts of the builders and a sympathetic Reagan Administration Interior Department under the leadership of James Watt, this key protection was severely limited in 1982 with the approval of the Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP).

Builders hailed the HCP as a "compromise." Environmentalists denounced it as deadly.

The HCP allows the distraction of some habitats, along with measures to "reintroduce" a comparable habitat elsewhere. Conservationalists claim it is highly impossible to create and maintain comparable habitats, and there are no positive studies which show conclusive evidence this has been accomplished.

"The HCP is not a conservation plan. It is destroying life. It is being able to go ahead and build," said David Schooley, the deeply committed founder of BAMW. "Compromise is a good political thing, but not a compromise for life."

Today, the most critical and pressing encroachments on the mountain are two residential developments - the south slopes Terrabay development in South San Francisco and the Northeast Ridge project in Brisbane.

At its March 22 meeting, the South San Francisco City

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Drugs linked to STDs

The incidence of gonorrhea among black teenagers is increasing at an alarming rate. The connection to crack use is particularly evident among females with gonorrhea who exhibit a pattern of receiving money or drugs in exchange for sex, regularly had sex with two or more partners within a 24 hour period, and overall had a great number of sexual partners than those with gonorrhea.

"San Francisco faces a three-headed monster," said Dr. David Werdegar, Director of San Francisco Public Health Department, "Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD), AIDS and drug abuse threaten to destroy an entire generation. San Franciscans must work together to reach these young people before it's too late."

The findings of a recent study conducted by the Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control. Even though only 6,804 cases of gonorrhea, a decrease of 61% from 1981, were reported in San Francisco in 1988, the incidence rates for all blacks in San Francisco is 4.5 times the overall rate and 10 times the rate for whites. The highest incidence rates are among 15-19 year olds and 20-24 year olds.

"These findings may portend a significant increase in AIDS and other STDs, such as syphilis, in the 1990's among these heterosexual users of crack," reported Dr. Gail Bolan, director of San Francisco's STD Control. "Another result of the increase in gonorrhea has been a significant increase in Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID). PID can result in hospitalization, ectopic pregnancies, infertility problems and chronic pain requiring prolonged treatment or surgery."

Bolan warns that women who get crack-related gonorrhea may be more likely to develop PID because drug usage may mask their awareness of symptoms.

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Meet the Mayor

The public is invited to meet with Mayor Art Agnos who will be the guest of the San Francisco Group of the Sierra Club on Wed., May 31 at the Old State Office Building, 350 McAllister St., Rm 1157 at 7 p.m.

Mayor Agnos will respond to questions from the Group's leadership and the audience on the key environmental issues facing San Francisco, including the Mission Bay wetlands proposal, the Presidio, toxics and recycling.

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Vargas colors classes' lives

Gerry Galvan

Tamara Vargas, the Venezuelan/American girl who started painting for fun at the age of six in her native Venezuela and rose to prominence in the San Francisco art world, has made extra good use of her talents.

She teaches senior citizens at the Visitacion Valley Community Center how to wield a brush on canvas and to appreciate art.

Tamara's association with the VVCC started some five months ago when the need for an art instructor was announced. She has been handling classes for groups of elderly people whose background in art comes close to zero.

Of the students who attend her class, Tamara says, "Every day, I get one separate group with distinct and varying degrees of interests and background. Each individual in a group has his/her own potential.

Tamara Vargas teaches at the VVCC.

Most of Tamara Vargas's students are retired. They have time to concentrate on the art schedule offered by VVCC.

Tamara Vargas works at the Visitacion Valley Community Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, except Wednesdays. After her teaching and instruction chores, she proceeds home and paints for hours.

The choice of Tamara Vargas as current instructor at the VVCC art class has been hailed by many quarters as an excellent move. She has, to her record, one of the best art achievement records in town. In 1987, she won the much coveted first prize (Best of Choice) award for her entry to the San Francisco International Fair. Her painting was called :The Garbage Can."

Such other award winning works as "Mother Earth: which depicted a lovely maiden holding on her right hand palm an spherical object resembling an earth miniature, and seven other paintings rapidly projected Tamara to the limelight. Practically, overnight she became a celebrity whose works readily command handsome prices in the art market.

At the present time, Tamara Vargas spends a

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CSFN awards night

By Brian Doohan

Keynote speaker Denis Hayes, founder of Earth Day called upon "a new generation of citizen activists" to mobilize to "avert planetary disaster" at the first annual awards dinner of the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods on April 25th.

Hayes announced formation of an "Earth Day 1990 Coalition" to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the founding of Earth Day and to pursue environmental goals such as development of alternate energy sources, reduction of acid rain and toxic wastes and preservation of the oceans and the ozone layer.

Already committed to the effort are labor unions, business leaders like Ted Turner, political leaders like Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower and the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

Hayes urged the approximately 150 guests to get involved in local and global environmental efforts through organizations ranging from the over fifty local members of the Coalition for San Francisco

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The higher we climbed, the greater our excitement, laughter and joy, yes we really are in snow country! We've arrived, no problems or incidents, phew! Checking in and getting our ski equipment was an exercise in following a maze (none of us has ever skied) fill out cards, get measured, get boots, skis, poles and find ski lesson area (we made it on time). After the two hour lessons, the kids proudly tried out their new skills for four more hours. The older kids never stopped skiing, even using the ski lift on the intermediate hills. Most of the kids learned how to get up after tumbling, some had to take skis off first, no matter all had a grand time. Asked if they wanted to do this trip again, 100% yes! A change of clothes later, we wearily started for home, stopping for a pizza surprise dinner, then catnapped or shared our day with our friends. Home at last 10:00p.m.

This trip was possible because of the San Francisco Foundation's grant to this club (the grant is used for trips, supplies, campership, computers etc.) and through the SFPD Youth Program which has taken us under its wings. We are getting to know you and yes we thank you and love you.

More good news. A new

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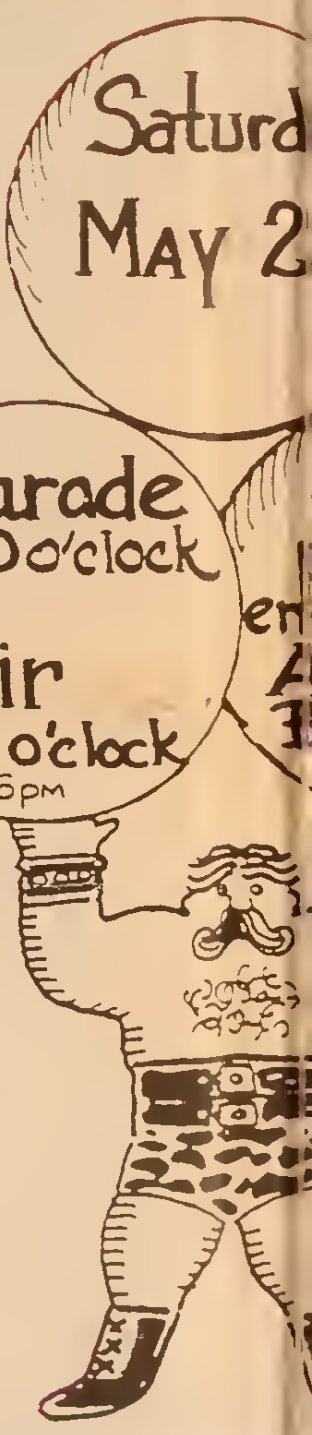

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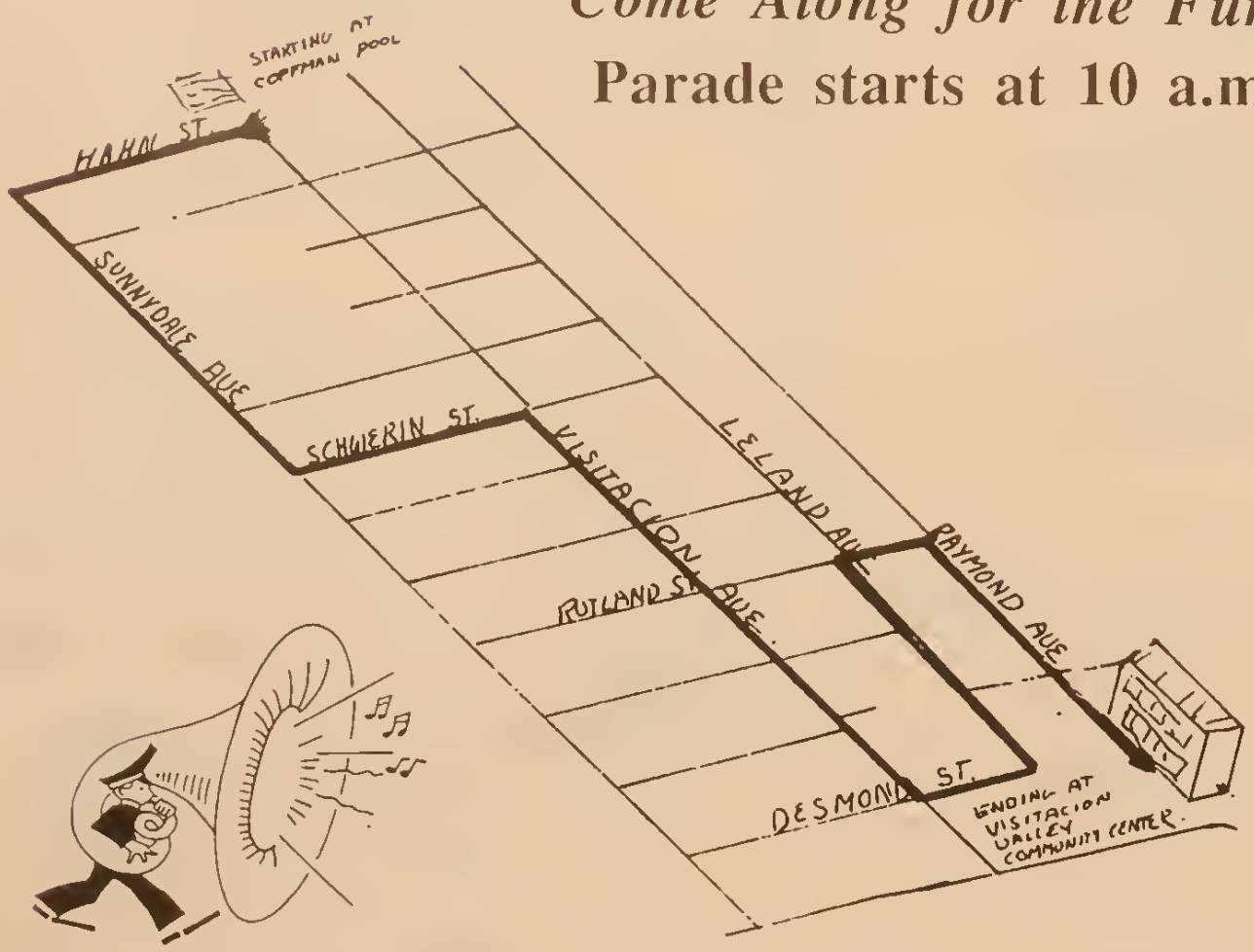

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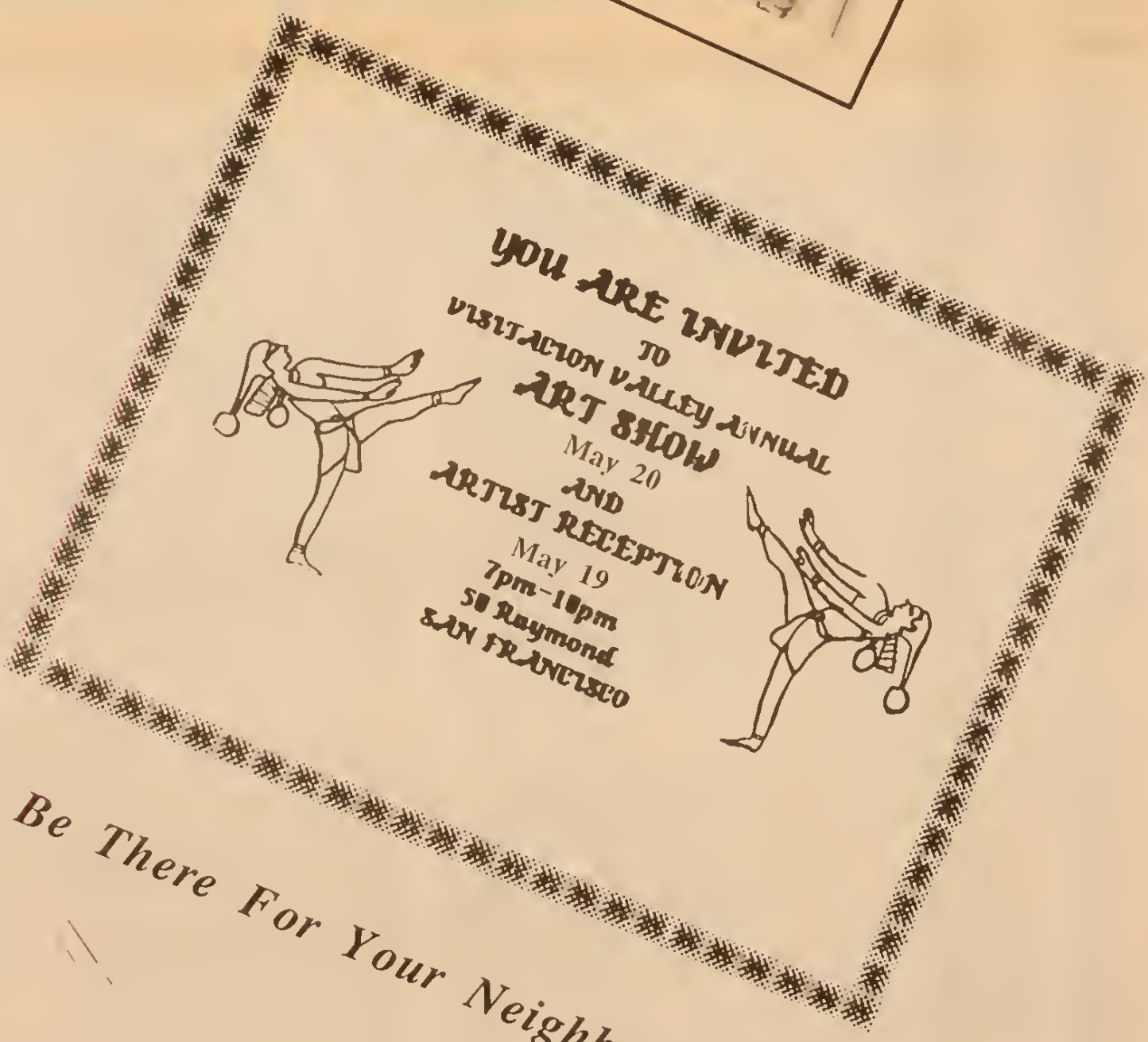

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The making of South Bayshore, Part 1:

An early, ugly legacy of racism

By Matthew Brady

South Bayshore had its origins in the fact that blacks have always lived history in reverse in California. While in most instances foreign immigrants quickly became assimilated into the districts, blacks have been increasingly segregated purely on the basis of race, almost irrespective of their social status.

According to Robert F. Heizer and Alan F. Almquist in their book The Other Californians (U. C. Press, 1971), "The Negro was unwelcome in California from the days of the Gold Rush. California was a nonslaving state and no blacks were wanted. They were discriminated against in early legislation; they could no give testimony against whites..." Blacks were not allowed to ride on public transportation in San Francisco until 1864.

In a magnanimous gesture in 1850 the state's first legislature prohibited slavery, but even though it was willing to have free nonwhites it would not extend them any human rights. They were considered to have been born as inferiors and were denied any City Hall power.

Another blot on California history was the Fugitive Slave Act passed in 1852, which required the return of runaway slaves to their masters.

Between 1850 and 1860 the black population in California increased from 1,000 to 4,000 - only one percent of the population - and by 1910 to only 21,000.

No black person was safe in the Golden State between 1852 and 1858 as he could be claimed as a fugitive slave and shipped south if he did not possess a legal document stating that he was a free American citizen.

But the Fugitive Slave Act was dismantled in 1858 due to an astonishing event that blacks should resurrect and celebrate again in this city.

It started with a young black slave names Arcy Lee, the property of C. V. Stovall, who brought him overland to Sacramento by ox team in 1857. After about a year Stovall's business ventures failed and he decided to head back to Mississippi.

"The three musketeers:" an idyllic picture of young boys in front of the Old Mint at Fifth and Mission in 1880. The black boy is carrying a growler of steam beer to a customer. The white boys have a chance to go on to good jobs; the black boy might have to spend his life carrying cans of beer from the corner saloon.

By this time Lee had met many free black men who in all probability educated him about the virtues of living a life of one's own. He went on the lam to avoid being shipped back to redneck country. The almost free slave was bagged by his former master and hauled before a Judge Robinson, who decided that Lee was not a fugitive from labor according to state or federal laws.

The judge said that "comity can never extend to strangers anything beyond the rights and privileges which a State extends to its own citizens." He went on to ask why a man from Mississippi who visited here for two months and worked his slave could not stay on for 20 years and work 20 slaves. "The law would not permit a citizen of this State to hold and work a slave against his consent, and what it does not allow its own citizens to do, it cannot be reasonable expected to sustain strangers in so doing."

But Lee's freedom was only a mirage. At the bottom of the courthouse stairs

No black person was safe in the Golden State between 1852 and 1858, as he could be claimed as a fugitive slave ...

Stovall bagged him for a second time and took him to Sacramento, where Chief Justice P. H. Burnett, a known racist, handed him over to his slavemaster again. The state's newspapers said that the chief justice's reasoning was faulty and so outrageous that Lee should be released.

In the meantime Stovall had handcuffed his chattel and taken him to Stockton; from there he planned to return to the City and take a steamer to Panama.

When local blacks heard of Lee's being kidnapped a good part of their population began to patrol the City Front to rescue him, armed with warrants against Stovall and a writ of habeas corpus authorizing the freeing of Lee. The blacks had the support of the San Francisco police, who were ready to put down any trouble, but Stovall sized up the situation and decided to make his getaway on an outbound ship. The police saw what was transpiring, boarded the moving ship, served papers on Stovall, and Lee was free.

All hands then proceeded to the San Francisco County Courthouse, where the U. W. Commissioner heard both sides' testimony. In a monumental decision he made Lee a free man forever.

The 2,000 city blacks staged a great celebration along the waterfront. The court ruling attracted so much public attention that it was seen as a favorable turning point in the history of blacks in California.

This was the last fugitive-slave case tried under the obnoxious California law of 1852.

Ironically, it was not until 1863, when California was dominated by the Republican Party, that blacks gained the right to testify in court cases involving whites.

The first in a series on the making of South Bayshore.

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AWARDS

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Neighborhoods to Bay Area based national groups like the Sierra Club and Rainforest Action Network.

Special awards were presented to Supervisor

Richard Hongisto, Sunset neighborhood activist and former Supervisor John Bardis and Dan Borsuk, long time City Planning reporter for the Progress.

Hongisto sent the group a message from Russia with love where he was attending an American-Soviet conference. "Without your work, he told the neighborhood activists, San Francisco would be a less beautiful and enjoyable place to live."

Bardis also praised the City's community groups, urging citizens to "lead San Francisco out of the morass of expediency and opportunism" caused by a "bankruptcy of vision at the national, state and local level."

Borsuk, who covered City planning and housing and politics for nearly twenty years emphasized the importance of community organizations to a free and fair press. "They provide fresh viewpoint you can't get by asking bureaucrats."

The guests also heard from State Sen. Quentin Kopp and from CSFN President Joel Ventresca who charged that "for 25 years there has been a downtown first policy at City Hall. We are fighting to change this to a neighborhood first policy.

"We consider ourselves a permanent form of

government," remarked CSFN member and event organizer Ramona Albright, "because no matter who is in or out of office, we continue to be concerned with the neighborhoods which make up our city."

Further CSFN information can be obtained by calling 731-1434, Earth Day's national offices in the South Bay can be reached at 321-1990.

Artist colors lives

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great deal of time at her homesite gallery/shop trying to finish pieces of art ordered by appreciative customers.

Tamara spends from two to six months to finish a particular painting. She spent six months doing "Mother Earth." Still displayed in her home, "Mother Earth" easily commands $3000.

Tamara Vargas was born and grew up in a small town in Venezuela. She told GRAPEVINE, "From a very early age, I've loved to draw with pencils and paper. The larger and whiter the paper, the better, because I enjoyed the chore more."

She recalls that from the time she started school she was always selected by her instructor to draw on the chalkboard for her class. "My classmates would often ask me to make drawings for them in exchange for candies and other goodies.

Her parents who reportedly didn't readily recognize her talents and rare gifts in art sent her to a Catholic School in Colombia. It was there that she offended the system by drawing a devil which the Mother Superior didn't appreciate. Understandable so because the caption ran, "Even the devil learns to crochet in Sister Concepcion's class."

At the age of 21, Tamara Vargas moved to Washington, DC with her future husband, Robert Pepper, a Peace Corps volunteer whom she met in Venezuela. Two years later Tamara and Robert moved to San Francisco where she worked as teacher aide for three years. She quit her job to pursue a criminology course at San Francisco City College.

Tamara Vargas Pepper felt that criminology was not in her blood so that she switched to art. She says that she has been very busy painting portraits of relatives and various subjects that attract her attention.

Tamara and Robert live in a comfortable home with an adopted daughter. Robert Pepper works for Social Security in downtown San Francisco.

For information regarding Tamara Vargas' art class at VVCC, call 467-6400.

Ciao Pinin

The cinema

By Chiao Pinin

Reminiscing is lots of fun. You forget the present as you dwell on the nostalgia of the past. It is thus I am recalling my days in the moving picture industry.

My mother was a business woman par excellence who never overlooked an opportunity to increase the family's finances.

When she heard of a small neighborhood moving picture house being offered for sale, she decided to investigate. At the time, the cinema was a new industry with unlimited possibilities. She dragged us all along and was duly impressed. The house was jammed to the rafters.

We went back the next day and the day after and always found a full house.

"It's a gold mine," said my excited mother. "We can't miss!" She bought it.

My grandfather became the manager, my youngest aunt the cashier, my brother the projectionist, and I was the organ player. It was strictly a family business.

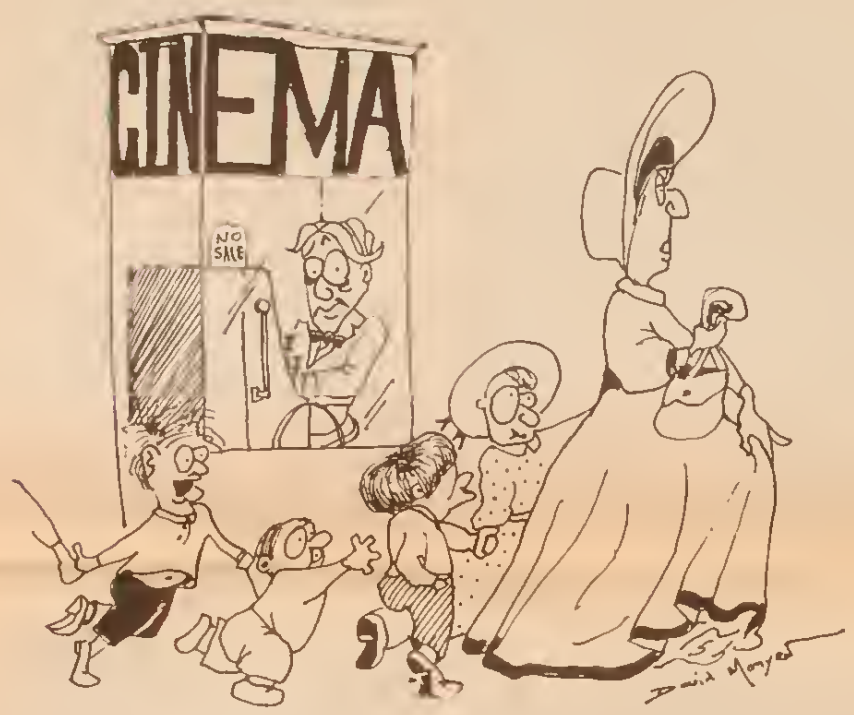
On opening day we put out a sign: Under New Management, and hopefully waited.

We waited and nobody came.

Finally a couple walked in, then a man. Again a long time nothing.

Who is yonder in the distance? "Tis a woman with six children. We got it made!

They came and walked right in, I mean right to their seats.



"It's a gold mine," said my excited mother. "We can't miss."

"Lady," politely addressed her my grandfather, the manager. "You forgot to pay."

Pay? What do you mean, pay? We came last week and nobody paid."

Dearest mother, you can't win them all!

Mountain

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Council gave the "green light" to developer W. W. Dean and Associates to begin grading and benching work at the Terrabay site. Actual construction will begin this month. The development calls for a total of 745 housing units, plus a hotel, restaurant, and health club.

Similarly, mountain hacking is on the Brisbane City Council agenda. The Northeast Ridge developer, Southwest Diversified, Inc., has now made its application to the city for a vesting tentative map approval. Public workshops and hearings have begun. This residential development calls for a total of 631 single-family dwellings, townhouses, and condominiums.

There have been victories to save the mountain, and there can be more.

Last December, environmentalists blocked PG&E's attempt to replace its gas pipeline across the mountain. The gas line will now go around San Bruno Mountain along Bayshore Boulevard.

Hoping to keep more of the mountain, BAMW and other environmentalists and scientists continue their meetings and discussions with local and state government officials. Principally, Proposition 70, the $776 million bond measure passed by California voters in June 1988, offers the greatest chance for the state to buy privately-owned San Bruno Mountain lands for expansion of the current parks.

"The best thing would be for the state to purchase the land," said Schooley.

Schooley and others are giving all they've got to "Save San Bruno Mountain." He

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A San Bruno Mountain T-shirt can be yours for $10, plus $2 (shipping and tax) to Bay Area Mountain Watch, P.O. Box AO, Brisbane,CA 94005. Specify your size: S-M-L-XL.

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What's doing in the park

SATURDAY, MAY 6
8 A.M. - 2 P.M. S.P.C.A. Petwalk '89, at Speedway Meadow, Golden Gate Park, a fundraiser for the San Francisco SPCA, call 554-3000 to register.

9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Registration begins for Novice Athletic Day Camps, boys and girls from 7 - 14 years, Kezar Pavilion, Stanyan and Waller Streets, fees.

Sunday, May 7
8:30 a.m. - Noon. Windmill Run/Walk, sponsored by Trisports, benefit for Walden House, starting at Queen Wilhelmina Garden on JFK Drive in Golden Gate Park, call 540-7008 to register.

11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Pre Mother's Day Sale, Sharon Arts Studio, near Children's Playground, on Bowling Green Drive in Golden Gate Park.

11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with the Golden Gate Park Band! Program includes Decatour High School Symphonic Band and the Comite Mexicano Civico Patriotica, Bandshell, Golden Gate Park, free.

Monday, May 8
10 a.m. - Noon. Art for the Handicapped, ages 12-14 years, Moscone Recreation Center, Chestnut and Buchanan Streets, free.

Wednesday, May 10
11 a.m. - Noon. Storytelling Workshop, taught by expert Alice Clemens, Harvey Milk Recreational Arts building, 50 Scott Street, free.

Thursday, May 11
10:30 a.m. - Noon. Tiny Tots Playhouse, Joseph Lee Recreation Center, Oakdale Avenue and Mendell Street, free.

San Francisco youth can build fundamental skills in team sports and athletic activities by signing up for a 2 week long Athletic Day Camp designed for novice athletes by the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department.

Registration begins Saturday, May 6 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., and continues the following Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. until all five sessions are filled.

Boys and girls aged 7 to 12 years can register for one 2 week session and be put on a waiting list for a second 2 week session.

Youths 11 to 14 years are eligible for the special advanced session.

Novice Athletic Day Camps begin June 19 and end August 25. The advanced session runs July 17 - July 28. The 2 week camp sessions from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. cost $65. ($58 for the session which includes the 4th of July Holiday.)

An After Camp Care Program is available from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. for $20 additional, each week.

Registration will be held at the Kezar Pavilion Athletic Office. For information, call 558-4056.

For information on neighborhood programs, contact your local playground or call 558-4268.

On behalf of the Pioneer Squares "Handicapable" square dancers we would like to thank everyone who helped make our raffle a big success. We would like to congratulate all the following winners.

Pioneer Squares Raffle Winners

MARIA VILLA	WINE
RAY DOVERSPIKE	WINE
GOLDIE	WINE
CHARLOTTE PETERSON	WINE
SANDY TODD	WINE
MAY STEVENSON	WINE
AMILIA	WINE
MRS. G	WINE
GARY BETHE	WINE
HELEN WIDDRA	WINE
DOROTHY CHESRO	WINE
B. CHOW	WINE
MARK JOHNSON	PIZZA
VANGIE	FACIAL
BETH	FACIAL
BETH GINASSI	CHINESE DINNER FOR 2
CLARK BERNARD	MEXICAN DINNER FOR 2
ANNE DALLARINO	WATCH
MARG & BOB VALDEZ	SEE'S CANDY
RICHARD TOM	SEE'S CANDY
LINDA AHLF	RENO TRIP FOR 2
VICTOR GISSO	KEEPSAFER SECURITY SYSTEM
JOHN ROMERO	KEEPSAFER SECURITY SYSTEM

Full citizenship starts at age 18

By Tom Baldwin

At the age of eighteen there will be four ways that my actions will make me part of the United States government. I will be able to vote and choose the leaders and policies of my state and country. I will need to register for the draft in defense of my country. I will also be furthering my education to become a more informed citizen. I will finally be granted full rights and responsibilities of a citizen.

The right to vote is an inalienable right that our forefathers fought for when they demanded representation from the English monarchy. Without this right, there would be no democracy, and a dictatorship would prevail. So I must protect this right and insure its continuance. To do this I must strive to vote in a clear and informed state of mind, education myself about the issues and platforms in question and voting for the good of the country rather than for my personal benefit.

Although nobody anticipates the eruption of war, I must prepare myself and my country by registering for the draft. In case the time comes when the youth of the nation must step forward for the protection of the nation to form a ready militia and a standing reserve, I will do my duty as called for by my country.

During my eighteenth year I will be completing my high school education and preparing for the years of college. This will be the beginning of the process of acquiring the knowledge one must possess to take an active part in a democratic society.

At the age of eighteen I will receive the rights and responsibilities of adulthood. I will be able to bind myself to others in contracts and I must be responsible for my actions. Not only can I sign contracts but I can also write and sign letters or petitions to member of local, state and national legislative bodies to help educate them in popular sovereignty after the elections.

Since the United States is a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, all citizens have a responsibility to be active participants in our democratic system. When this person becomes eighteen years of age, he will be ready to fulfill the obligations of a citizen.

Tom Baldwin of Wilde Avenue won a trip to Washington , D.C, with this essay. Tom and his brother,

Raymond, deliver the GRAPEVINE each month.

Congrats Jonathan

Congratulations to Jonathon Kaartunen who was the first Visitacion Valley Middle School student to participate in The Eighth Annual Solo-Ensemble Festival.

Saturday, April 8th more than 700 S.F.U.S.D. music students came to Benjamin Franklin Middle School to participate in 300 events at the "Eighth Annual Solo-Ensemble Festival." This event was sponsored by the "Association of Instructors of Music" (AIM) and the 1988-1989 "Mentor Teacher Program."

This year students from 23 elementary, 12 middle, and 7 high schools participated in woodwind, brass, percussion, string, piano, and vocal categories with very fine results: 104 "Superior"; 114 "Excellent"; 48 "Good:"; 7 "Fair; 0 "Poor", 27 "Non-rating or Cancellation"; 12 "Superior with Command Performance."

Festival coordinator, Jack Martens, Band Director of Benjamin Franklin School said, "The judges were impressed with the caliber of musicianship and the trend of continued musical growth in our music department year after year. Nearly one-fourth of the total number entries were in the vocal category' keep those 'kids a singin!'"

Snow

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grant has been given to this Camp Fire Club, in order to start a summer program, which will be located at 325 Leland Ave in the bungalows (soon, we hope). The grant will be awarded by the San Francisco Family Health Programs, Inc. in the amount of $5,000. The funds will be used to furnish the new room, provide lunch, trips and supplies. We are very grateful for the interest and support that this organization is providing.

Note: The Koyuse Camp Fire Club was started in 1986, with 17 members and it now has 52 members, 80% boys, and 80% living in the Geneva Towers or Sunnydale areas: ages 6-15 years. This is the largest Camp Fire Club in California; directed and founded by Anne Kaartunen and assisted by Nicole Clay on Tuesdays and Thursdays, every week at the Visitacion Valley Elementary School.

Mountain

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urges residents to join him on a mountain hike where they can explore and learn more about this glorious place and why it is so valuable to the Bay Area.

Free guided hikes are available every weekend, and by arrangement on weekdays for school groups, through the Bay Area Mountain Watch. For information, call 467-6631.

Kopp seeks interns

State Senator Quentin L. Kopp (I-San Francisco, San Mateo) today announced that he is accepting applications for 1989 summer internship positions in his District Offices in South San Francisco and San Francisco.

Summer interns will assist Senator Kopp and his staff with a variety of duties, including legislative research, constituent service, and general administrative responsibilities.

Interested college-age students should submit a letter of interest or resume to Senator Kopp at 363 El Camino Real, South San Francisco, CA 94080.

The 1989 summer intern program will commence on June 1st.

Stick

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Other suggestions include: Improved directional signage to promote increased utilization of alternate routes such as I-280 and Carroll Avenue, and restriping the main parking lot with 8 foot wide parking stalls in place of the current 8.5 foot wide stalls to increase parking capacity.

Neighborhood traffic improvements have also been suggested. To enforce traffic restrictions on Ingerson, *Gilman and Jamestown* Avenues before and after events, prohibiting left turns from westbound Gilman and right turns from westbound Jamestown during post-game periods.

To enforce parking restriction on residential streets including the Little Hollywood neighborhood west of US 101 and to test the impact of closing Jamestown Avenue to post game traffic at Harney Way are under consideration.

For further information about the Candlestick Park Transportation Improvement Plan, call Department of City Planning.

DSS

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DSS has asked for $500,000 to renovate public housing to accommodate homeless people, and Enisman feels optimistic that with cooperation of projects like Geneva Towers, which is privately owned, and city-owned public housing, many homeless mothers and children can be placed in apartments of their own and relieved of the terrible burden of living in hotel bedrooms.

Agnos

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trouble makers are is not the same as having solid evidence to link specific individuals with particular crimes. It took seven months to make an arrest in the Golden Dragon gang slaying in 1977. It may take some time to make solid arrests in connection with the April homicides, but the killers will be brought to justice.

In the meantime, it is up to all of us - government and private citizens alike - to do what we can to offer jobs, organize and coach athletic teams, host youth events and demonstrate by our involvement that we care ab out our young people and are ready to offer them alternatives to crack.

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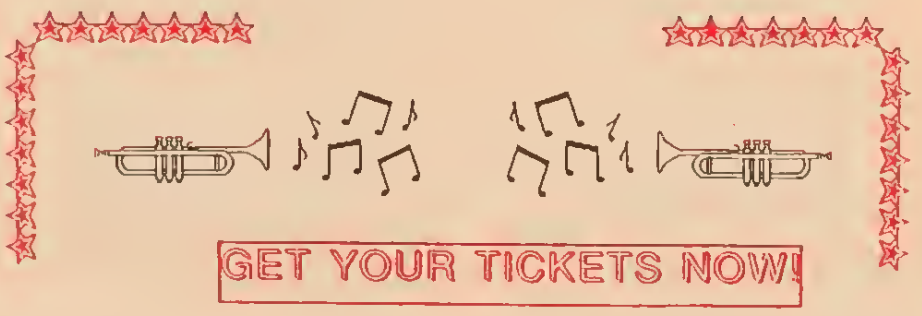

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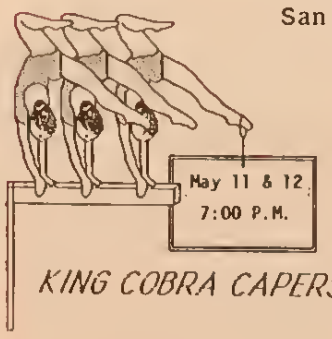

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